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REMARKS

The allowance of claims 1-3, 5-6, 10, 16 and 17 is noted with appreciation. By way of the amendment instructions above, prior pending claim 7 has now been canceled thereby leaving only the allowed claims pending herein for consideration. Early receipt of the Official Allowance Notice is therefore solicited.

1. Information Disclosure Statement

It is understood from the Examiner's comments in the Official Action dated August 20, 2009 that the "Japanese Official Action" submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement of July 23, 2009 has not been considered, but that each of the publication references cited therein, namely JP63265925 and its US patent counterpart, USP 4,897,452, have in fact been considered on their merits. In this regard, the relevance of the JP '925 publication is self-evident from the English-language abstract that was submitted concurrently with the same, namely that it relates to the production of pellets of propylene homopolymer or copolymer.

2. Fee Authorization

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment, in the fee(s) filed, or asserted to be filed, or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Account No. 14-1140.

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